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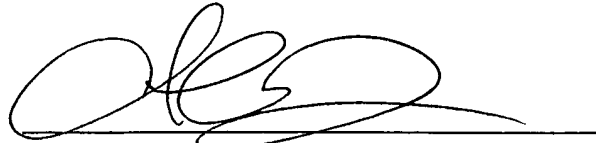
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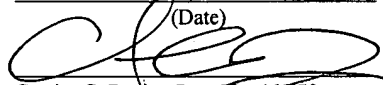
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In the communication from the Office dated June 28, 2004, the Examiner stated that the application has the following nineteen inventions: Group I-Claims 1-10, drawn to a catheter with a plurality of exit holes, Group II-Claims 13-16, drawn to a catheter having a porous membrane, Group III-Claims 17, drawn to a method of introducing fluid through an open end of a tubular member, Group IV-Claims 18-28, drawn to a catheter having a support, Group V-Claims 29, drawn to a method of introducing fluid through a membrane, Group VI-Claims 30-38, drawn to a method of manufacturing a catheter having a support, Group VII-Claims 39-45, drawn to a catheter having a porous membrane within a tube with a plurality of exit holes, Group VIII-Claims 46, drawn to a method of passing fluid through a membrane and exit holes, Group IX-Claims 47-53, drawn to a method of manufacturing a catheter with a membrane and exit holes, Group X-Claims 54-56, drawn to a catheter having exit holes of varying size, Group XI-Claims 57, drawn to a method of delivering fluid through exit holes of varying size, Group XII-Claims 58-59, drawn to a method of

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manufacturing a catheter having exit holes of varying size, Group XIII-Claims 60-62, drawn to a catheter having a coil spring, Group XIV-Claims 63, drawn to a method of delivering fluid through a coil spring, Group XV-Claims 64, drawn to a method of manufacturing a catheter with a coil spring, Group XVI-Claims 65-68, drawn to a catheter having a coil spring and exit holes, Group XVII-Claims 69, drawn to a method of introducing fluid radially through coils and exit holes, Group XVIII-Claims 70, drawn to a method of manufacturing a catheter having a coiled spring and exit holes and Group XIX-Claims 71-72, drawn to a catheter having a flow-restricting orifice,

In response, Applicant elects without traverse to proceed with the examination on the merits of Group IV - Claims 18-28, without prejudice or disclaimer of the non-elected claims.

Applicant respectfully submits that the foregoing is fully responsive to the Restriction Requirement. If, however, any undeveloped issue remains, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants' counsel at the number provided below in order to resolve such issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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